

Norton amendment No. 22 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to strike all of the General Provisions in the bill; **Pages H7041–44**

Moran amendment No. 13 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to strike sections 128 and 129 dealing with the granting of preferences in the use of surplus school properties to public charter schools and modifications of contracting requirements; **Pages H7046–48**

Section 153 that sought to specify funding from the National Highway System; **Page H7054**

Amendments Offered:

Souder amendment No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 106–790 that seeks to prohibit the use of any funding for needle exchange programs; and

Pages H7050–53

Norton amendment No. 23 printed in the Congressional Record that seeks to strike Section 168 that specifies that the Health Insurance Coverage for Contraceptives Act of 2000 shall not take effect.

Pages H7055–58

H. Res. 563, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 217 yeas to 203 nays, Roll No. 442.

Pages H7021–26

Order of Business—District of Columbia Appropriations: Agreed that during further consideration of H.R. 4942, no amendment shall be in order except pro forma amendments offered by the Chairman or ranking member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees for the purpose of debate, the amendments printed in H. Rept. 106–790, and amendments No. 23 and 13 printed in the Congressional Record.

Page H7044

DOD Authorizations—Send to Conference: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 4205, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2001 and agreed to a conference.

Pages H7058–61

Representative Taylor of Mississippi offered a motion to instruct conferees to insist upon the provisions contained in section 725, relating to the Medicare subvention project for military retirees and dependents of the House bill. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed.

Pages H7058–61

Presidential Message—Federal Labor Relations Authority: Read a letter from the President wherein he transmitted the 21st Annual Report of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for fiscal year 1999—referred to the Committee on Government Reform.

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Recess: The House recessed at 7:40 p.m. and reconvened at 11:28 p.m.

Page H7090

Recess: The House recessed at 11:30 p.m. and reconvened at 7 a.m. on Thursday, July 27.

Page H7090, H7095

Recess: The House recessed at 7:01 a.m. and reconvened at 9:10 a.m. on Thursday, July 27. **Page H7126**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H7005 and H7127.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7008–09, H7009, H7020, and H7026. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:11 a.m. on Thursday, July 27.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM POLICY

Committee on Agriculture: Concluded hearings to review federal farm policy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATIONAL ENERGY STRATEGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on National Energy Strategy. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Mark J. Mazur, Administrator, Energy Information Administration; Robert Kripowicz, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Fossil Energy; and Dan Reicher, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; William Keese, Chairman, Energy Commission, State of California; and F. William Valentino, President, Energy Research and Development Authority, State of New York.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 4541, Commodity Futures Modernization Act of 2000; and H.R. 3250, Health Care Fairness Act of 1999.

SCIENTIFICALLY BASED EDUCATION RESEARCH, STATISTICS, EVALUATION, AND INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4875, Scientifically Based Education Research, Statistics, Evaluation, and Information Act of 2000.

OVERSIGHT—COMPUTER SECURITY

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held an oversight hearing on Computer Security: Cyber Attacks—War Without Borders. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Michael Vatis, Director, National Infrastructure Protection Center, FBI; and Edgar A. Adamson, Chief, U.S. National Central Bureau-Interpol; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Richard C. Schaeffer, Jr., Director, Infrastructure and Information Assurance, Office of the Assistant Secretary (Command, Control, Communication, and Intelligence); and Mario Balakgie,

Chief Information Assurance Officer, Defense Intelligence Agency; Jack Brock, Director, Government-wide and Defense Information Systems, GAO; and public witnesses.

COMBATING TERRORISM

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs and International Relations held a hearing on Combating Terrorism: Assessing Threats, Risk Management and Establishing Priorities. Testimony was heard from Norman Rabkin, Director, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO; Ambassador L. Paul Bremer, III, Chairman, National Commission on Terrorism; Raphael F. Perl, Specialist in International Affairs, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on this subject. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Committee on International Relations: Concluded hearings on The International Criminal Court: Recent Developments, Part 11. Testimony was heard from David Scheffer, Ambassador-at-Large, War Crimes Issues, Department of State; and Walter Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense.

U.S. RELATIONS WITH BRAZIL

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere held a hearing on U.S. Relations with Brazil: Strategic Partners or Regional Competitors? Testimony was heard from Linda Eddleman, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 4640, amended, DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000; H.R. 4292, the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2000; and H.R. 2883, amended, Adopted Orphans Citizenship Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following measures: H. Con. Res. 345, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the need for cataloging and maintaining public memorials commemorating military conflicts of the United States and the service of individuals in the Armed Forces; S. 624, amended, Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 1999; S. 1027, Deschutes Resources Conservancy Reauthorization Act of 1999; H.R. 1124, amended, Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 1999; S. 1288, Community Forest Restoration Act; H.R. 1460, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to decrease the requisite blood quantum required for membership in the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo tribe; S. 1694, amended, Hawaii Water Resources

Reclamation Act of 2000; H.R. 1751, amended, Carrizo Plain National Conservation Area Act of 1999; H.R. 2090, amended, Exploration of the Seas Act; H.R. 2267, amended, Willing Seller Amendments of 1999 to the National Trails System Act; H.R. 2674, amended, Palmetto Bend Conveyance Act; H.R. 2752, amended, Lincoln County Land Act of 1999; H.R. 2798, amended, Pacific Salmon Recovery Act of 1999; H.R. 3241, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to recalculate the franchise fee owed by Fort Sumter Tours, Inc., a concessioner providing service to Fort Sumter National Monument in South Carolina; H.R. 3388, amended, Lake Tahoe Restoration Act; H.R. 3520, amended, White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic Rivers System Act; H.R. 3632, amended, Golden Gate National Recreation Area Boundary Adjustment Act of 2000; H.R. 3745, amended, Effigy Mounds National Monument Additions Act; H.R. 4144, amended, Coal Accountability and Retired Employee Act of the 21st Century; H.R. 4226, amended, Black Hills National Forest and Rocky Mountain Research Station Improvement Act; H.R. 4318, amended, Red River National Wildlife Refuge Act; H.R. 4521, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to authorize and provide funding for rehabilitation of the Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park, to authorize funds for maintenance of utilities related to the Park; H.R. 4643, Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians Claims Settlement Act; H.R. 4725, amended, to amend the Zuni Land Conservation Act of 1990 to provide for the expenditure of Zuni funds by that tribe; H.R. 4790, amended, Hunting Heritage Protection Act; H.R. 4840, amended, Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Act of 2000; and H.R. 4847, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to refund certain amounts received by the United States pursuant to the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982.

The Committee also considered but deferred action on H.R. 4125, to provide a grant under the urban park and recreation recovery program to assist in the development of a Millennium Cultural Cooperative Park in Youngstown, Ohio.

SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS TAX RELIEF ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4865, Social Security Benefits Tax Relief Act of 2000. The rule waives all points of order against the bill and against its consideration. The rule provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides for consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, if offered by Representative Pomeroy or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided between the proponent and an

opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Kanjorski, Pomeroy, Green of Texas and Capuano.

CHILD SUPPORT DISTRIBUTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule, providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4678, Child Support Distribution Act of 2000. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means, as modified by the amendment printed in Part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, shall be an original bill for the purpose of amendment, which shall be considered as read. The rule provides for consideration of the amendment printed in Part B of the Rules Committee report if offered by Representative Scott or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in Part B of the report. Finally the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Johnson of Connecticut and Scott.

CONFERENCE REPORT—LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 8 to 2, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4516, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.

SUMMER DISTRICT WORK PERIOD ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for the consideration of a concurrent resolution providing for the adjournment of the House and Senate for the summer district work period. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the resolution.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 2413, Computer Security Enhancement Act of 1999; H.R. 4429, Electronic Commerce Enhancement Act of 2000; and H.R. 4271, National Science Education Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following measures: S. 1794, to designate the Federal courthouse at 145 East Simpson Avenue in Jackson, Wyoming, as the "Clifford P. Hansen Federal Courthouse"; H.R. 2163, amended,

to designate the United States courthouse located at 500 Pearl Street in New York City, New York, as the "Ted Weiss United States Courthouse"; H.R. 3378, amended, Tijuana River Valley Estuary and Beach Sewage Cleanup Act of 1999; and H.R. 4104, amended, Mississippi Sound Restoration Act of 2000.

The Committee also approved the following: GSA Courthouse Construction Program for fiscal year 2001; an Out-of-cycle Lease prospectus; an 11 (b) Resolution; an Out-of-cycle repair and alteration prospectus; and Corps of Engineer survey resolutions.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR, HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION

Conferees continued to meet to resolve differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4577, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D822)

S. 1892, to authorize the acquisition of the Valles Caldera, to provide for an effective land and wildlife management program for this resource within the Department of Agriculture. Signed July 25, 2000. (P.L. 106-248)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine staff shortages for nursing home residents, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to review proposals to establish an international school lunch program, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine antitrust issues in the airline industry, focusing on trends in the industry, the impact that a reduction of competitors might have on competition and concentration levels at hubs, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold oversight hearings on the United States General Accounting Office's investigation of the Cerro Grande Fire in the State of New Mexico, and from Federal agencies on the Cerro Grande Fire and their fire policies in general, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 1734, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contribute funds for the establishment of an interpretative center on the life and contributions of President Abraham Lincoln; H.R. 3084, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to